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Banks.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$15,000,000
RESERVE FUNDS.....
Sterling.....\$15,000,000
Silver.....\$15,250,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS.....\$15,000,000

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LONDON BANKERS—LONDON COUNTY AND WESTMINSTER BANK, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED:

On Current Account at the rate of 2 per Cent. per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:

For 3 months, 2 1/2 per Cent. per Annum.

For 6 months, 3 per Cent. per Annum.

For 12 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum.

J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 13th November, 1909.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....£1,500,000

RESERVE FUND.....£1,575,000

RESERVE LIABILITIES OF PROPRIETORS.....£1,500,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNT at the rate of 2 per Cent. per Annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4 per Cent.

WM. DICKSON, Manager.

Hongkong, 5th April, 1909.

YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

CAPITAL PAID-UP.....Yen 24,000,000

RESERVE FUNDS.....15,900,000

Head Office—YOKOHAMA.

Branches and Agencies:

TOKIO, OHIO, OHIO, OHIO.

Kobe, Osaka, Yokohama, etc.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Account at the rate of 2 per Cent. per Annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:

For 12 months, 4 per Cent.

TAKAO TAKAMICHI, Manager.

Hongkong, 11th September, 1909.

DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP.....Sh. Tael 7,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

BRANCHES:

Berlin, Hamburg, Hankow, etc.

FOUNDED BY THE FOLLOWING BANKS AND BANKERS:

Koenigliche Seehandlung (Preussische Staatsbank)

Direction der Disconto-Gesellschaft

Deutsche Bank

S. Bleichroeder

Berliner Handels-Gesellschaft

Bank fuer Handel und Industrie

Robert Warshawsky & Co.

Mendelssohn & Co.

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Banks.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits allowed at 4 per Cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 per Cent. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 13th January, 1909.

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

CAPITAL PAID UP.....GOLD \$5,350,000

ABOUT MEX \$7,338,833

RESERVE FUND.....GOLD \$5,350,000

ABOUT MEX \$7,338,833

HEAD OFFICE:

60 WALL STREET, NEW YORK.

LONDON OFFICE:

THREADEMILL HOUSE, E.C.

LONDON BANKERS:

BANK OF ENGLAND.

NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND, LIMITED.

THE CAPITAL AND COUNTRIES BANK, LTD.

BRANCHES AND AGENTS ALL OVER THE WORLD.

THE Corporation transacts every Description of Banking and Exchange Business, receives Money in Current Account at the rate of 2 1/2 per Cent. per Annum on the daily balance and accepts Fixed Deposits at the following rates:—

For 12 months 4 per Cent. per annum.

For 6 months 3 1/2 per Cent. per annum.

For 3 months 3 per Cent. per annum.

For 1 month 2 1/2 per Cent. per annum.

No. 9, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

W. M. ANDERSON, Manager.

Hongkong, 18th April, 1908.

Intimations.

CHINA MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO., LD., OF SHANGHAI.

DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS:

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A. J. Hughes, Esq., Secretary.

S. B. Neill, F.I.A., Actuary.

A STRONG British Corporation Registered under Hongkong Ordinances and under the Assurance Companies' Acts, England.

Insurance in Force.....\$34,054,152.00

Assets.....7,114,490.08

Income for Year.....3,073,834.81

Total Security to Policyholders.....7,885,852.53

LEFFERTS KNOX, Esq., Hongkong, District Manager.

B. W. TAPPE, Esq., Canton, Macao, District Secretary.

ALEXANDRA BUILDING, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1909.

EXTRAORDINARY BARGAINS.

Come All! Don't miss this chance of getting such cheap things.

Everything reduced except the Regal Shoes.

Now is the chance to get things cheap!

At THE SAVOY, 13, Queen's Rd. Central.

Hongkong, 27th October, 1909.

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LD.

(CAPITAL PAID UP.....\$1,350,000)

Loans on Mortgage of House Property, &c. Goods received on Storage. Advances made on Merchandise. Loans made on the Provident System. (Rates and Particulars on application.)

THE OFFICE OF TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF WILLS, ATTORNEY, &c. Undertakes and Executes. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 19th March, 1908.

Mails.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

WILL despatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on or about the DATES named:—

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL ON REMARKS

SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.....SICILIA.....About 4th Dec. Freight and Passage.

SHANGHAI.....DELTA.....About 10th Dec. Freight and Passage.

LONDON, &c., via usual Ports.....HIMALAYA.....Neon, 11th Dec. See Special Advertisement.

LONDON and ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES.....NORSE.....About 15th Dec. Freight and Passage.

For Further Particulars, apply to E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, 2nd December, 1909.

Intimations.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

TELEPHONE 97.

JUST RECEIVED.

NEW STOCK OF

“WALK OVER” BOOTS

IN

BLACK, BROWN,

AND

PATENT LEATHERS.

SATISFACTION GUARANTEED WITH EVERY PAIR.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

WHISKIES SCOTCH.



Fine Old Glenlivet. Very Old Highland Blend. Robert Macdonald. Monarch of the Glen. Rare Old Blend. 'Wayfoot' Blend. Extra Special Finest Liqueur.

'Polo' (bottled at Home). O. D. S. (very choice). V. O. S. (old matured). Faintest, great age (very fine).

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & CO., Wine & Spirit Merchants.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1909.

Hotels.

FEATHER-GRAND BOXING CONTESTS CHAMPION-WEIGHT KING'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION SHIP

THURSDAY, 25th November. BELLE VIEW STADIUM

Accommodation for 2,000. SEATS.....\$4, 2 & 1

HONGKONG GARRISON

NOTE THE TIME: Commencing 2.30 p.m. sharp. Special Trains from P.O. every 5 mins. Drinks usual prices.

MACHADO'S BAND. The Chinese "J.L." will make his debut.

CHAMPION-SHIP

HOTEL CRAIGIEBURN.

PLUNKET'S GAP, the PRAX, near the TRAM TERMINUS Tel. 66.

For Terms, &c., apply to the

MANAGER.

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1909.

Shipping—Steamers

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO

AND

WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF

THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

S.S. "HONAM" 2,365 Tons, "FATSHAN" 2,360 Tons, "KINSHAN" 1,995 Tons.

Departures from HONGKONG to CANTON daily at 8 A.M. (Sunday excepted), and 10 P.M. (Saturday excepted).

Departures from CANTON to HONGKONG daily at 8 A.M. and 5.15 P.M. (Sunday excepted).

These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River.

Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin Accommodation. Lighted throughout by electricity. Electric Fan in each cabin.

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "SUI-TAI" 1,365 Tons and "SUI-AN" 1,265 Tons.

Departures from Hongkong to Macao on week days at 8 A.M. and at 2 P.M. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

Departures from Macao to Hongkong on week days at 7.30 A.M. and at 2 P.M.

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "HOI SANG" 457 Tons

Departures from MACAO to CANTON on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 9 P.M.

Departures from CANTON to MACAO on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 5 P.M.

JOINT SERVICE OF

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "SAINAM" 588 Tons, and "NANNING" 569 Tons.

One of the above steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at about 8 A.M., and the other leaves Wuchow for Canton on the same days at 8.30 A.M.

Round trips take about 5 days. Passengers can return to Hongkong or Vice Versa by the Company's direct steamers "Linton" and "Sarat". These vessels have Superior Cabin Accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity. Electric Fan in each cabin.

EXCURSION TO MACAO.

On SUNDAY, the 5th DECEMBER, 1909.

The Company's Steamship "SUI-AN," will depart from the COMPANY'S WING LOK STREET WHARF at 9 A.M.

Departure from Macao at 5 P.M.

N.B.—The Company also runs a steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at 7.30 A.M. and from Hongkong at 1 P.M. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf. This steamer connects with the returning steamer from Macao.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the—

HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LD., HOTEL MANSIONS, (FIRST FLOOR), opposite the Blake Place.

Hotels.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

FIRST CLASS AND UP-TO-DATE.

String Band play during Tiffin and Dinner.

Hongkong, 5th February, 1909.

THE VIENNA CAFE COMPANY, LIMITED.

No. 34, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Telephone No. 924.

BEG to notify the Public that A MODERN AND UP-TO-DATE BAKERY AND CAFE under exclusively European management has been opened at the above entirely rebuilt and modernized premises.

The latest sanitary improvements employed.

Strictest cleanliness all over the place.

Use only first class flour and other material.

The Company has secured the services of Messrs. J. SOMMER and A. SOKOLOWSKI, for THE BAKERY AND CONFECTIONERY DEPARTMENT.

The long experience of both Gentlemen in up-to-date establishments on the Continent, is the best guarantee that only the best ever produced in the Colony will be supplied.

The Patronage of the Public is respectfully solicited.

Hongkong, 20th September, 1909.

ASTOR HOUSE

(LATE CONNAUGHT HOTEL.)

QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG.

CENTRALLY situated, up-to-date Hotel. Recently renovated, and under entirely New Management. Large and Comfortable Rooms, Excellent Cuisine under the supervision of an Experienced FRENCH CHEF, and separate Tables, Hot and Cold Baths, Electric Light throughout. Terms moderate, First Class accommodation for Families and Tourists.

Under Personal Supervision of L. GAMEAU, Proprietor. N. BEUMENTHAL, Manager.

Telephone, 170. Telegrams "Astor."

Mails.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

BREMEN.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA	"GOEBEN" Capt. B. Welbelmi	FRIDAY, 3rd December, 5 A.M.
MANILA, YAP, NEW GUINEA, SAMARAI, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	"PRINZ WALDEMAR" Capt. F. Iscke	FRIDAY, 3rd Dec., Daylight
YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"PRINZ SIGISMUND" Capt. D. Lenz	About SATURDAY, 11th Dec.
KUDAT and SANDAKAN	"BORNEO" Capt. F. Sembill	Middle of December.

For further Particulars, apply to

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELCHERS & CO.,

GENERAL AGENTS, HONGKONG & CHINA.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1909.

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

FRENCH MAIL LINES.

FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE TO and FROM EUROPE via SUEZ CANAL.
TO and FROM JAPAN via SHANGHAI.

FOR	STEAMERS	CAPTAINS	TO SAIL ON
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, MARSHALLS, VIA PORTS	POLYNESIEN	Broc	6th Dec., P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, MARSHALLS, VIA PORTS	ERNEST SIMON	Girard	7th Dec., at 1 P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, MARSHALLS, VIA PORTS	OCEANIE	Solier	20th Dec., P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, MARSHALLS, VIA PORTS	TONKIN	Charbonnel	21st Dec., at 1 P.M.

Transshipment on the Co's Steamers at Singapore for Batavia; at Colombo for Calcutta, Bombay and Australia; at Port Said for the Levant, Constantinople and Black Sea.
Through Tickets to London via Paris from £27.10 up to £41.10. 30 hours' railway from Marseilles to London.

Interpreters meet passengers at their arrival in Marseilles.

For further particulars, apply to

P. de CHAMPMORIN,

AGENT,

QUEEN'S BUILDINGS.

Hongkong, 23rd November, 1909.

MESSAGERIES CANTONNAISES.

HONGKONG-CANTON-KWANGSI RIVER SERVICE.

S.S. "PAUL BEAU" and "CHARLES HARDOUIN"
Capt. Marabai (1900 tons 14 knots) Capt. Biensime
DEPARTURE:
From HONGKONG the Co's Wharf near Wing Lok Street Every Night at 10, excepting Saturdays.
From CANTON (French Concession, Shameen) Every Evening at 5.15 excepting Sundays.

FARES: 1st CLASS \$5.00, 2nd CLASS \$2.00.

French Cuisine and Wines of the Best Vintage. Meals, \$1.50.

S.S. "ROBERT LEBAUDY" Capt. Vivier
CANTON-WUCHOW SERVICE—SEE SCHEDULE.

For further information, apply to—

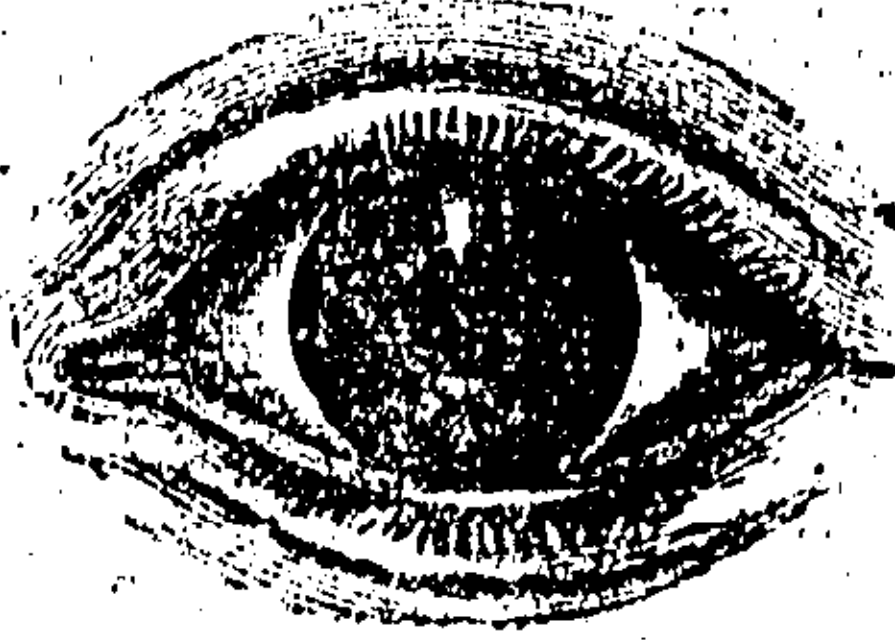
HEAD OFFICE, Canton.

P. A. LAPICQUE & Co., Hongkong (4 Queen's Building, Tel. No. 950)

N.B.—Guides (\$2.00), sedan chairs and bearers (\$1.80) can always be engaged at Canton. By starting at about 8 o'clock in the morning on a visit to the picturesque Chinese City, the tourist will find time to view the shops and other places of interest, returning to Shameen at about 3 p.m.
Hongkong, 19th November, 1909.

Intimation.

EYES



RIGHT!

N. LAZARUS, OPHTHALMIC OPTICIAN,

CORNER OF D'AGUILAR STREET AND QUEEN'S ROAD.

WILL test your eyes, charge, and if they are wrong will put them right.

Lenses Ground. All kinds of Repairs. Spectacles for all requirements.

Ask, or write, for Illustrated Booklet on "Defective Sight"—free.

LONDON, CALCUTTA, SHANGHAI, HONGKONG, 19, Broad Street, 106, Nanjing Road, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

Intimations.

THE YOKOHAMA DOCK CO., LTD.

No. 1 DOCK.	No. 2 DOCK.	No. 3 DOCK.
Docking Length 515 ft.	Docking Length 376 ft.	Docking Length 481 ft.
Width of Entrance 80 "	Width of Entrance 50 "	Width of Entrance 63 "
Water on Blocks 28 "	Water on Blocks 26 "	Water on Blocks 21.5 "

THESE DOCKS are conveniently situated in Yokohama harbour and the attention of Captains and Engineers is respectfully called to the advantages offered for Docking and repairing Vessels and Machinery of every description.

The plant and tools are of recent patterns for dealing quickly and cheaply with work and a large stock of material is always at hand, (plates and angles all being tested by Lloyd's surveyors).

Two powerful Twin Screw Towboats are available for taking Vessels in or out of Dock and for taking Sailing Vessels in or out of the Bay. The floating derrick is capable of lifting 40 tons.

Steam Launches of Steel or Wood, Lighters, Steel Buildings and Roofs, Bridge Work, and all kinds of Machinery are made on the premises.

Tenders will be made up when required and the workmanship and material will be guaranteed.

The cost of Docking, and repair work, will be found to compare favourably with that of any port in the world.

A large mooring basin is available alongside our own works for mooring vessels whilst under repairs.

Telephone: Nos. 878, 808, or 881.

Telegrams, "Dock, Yokohama," Codes A. B. C. 4th and 5th Edt.

Liebers, Scotts,

A. I. and Watkins.

Yokohama, April 28th, 1903.

F. BLACKHEAD & Co., SHIPCHANDLERS, SAILMAKERS, COAL AND PROVISION MERCHANTS, NAVAL CONTRACTORS AND GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS, GROUND FLOOR, "ST. GEORGE'S BUILDING," HONGKONG, SOAP AND SODA MANUFACTURERS.

SOLE AGENTS FOR HARTMAN'S KAMTIEN'S GENUINE COMPOSITION RED HAND BRAND, HARTMAN'S GREY PAINT, DAIMLER'S PATENT MOTOR LAUNCHES, &c., &c., &c.

Sole Agents for FERGUSON'S SPECIAL OIL and F. & O. SPECIAL LIQUOR SCOTCH WHISKY, &c.

EVERY KIND OF SHIP'S STORES AND REQUISITES ALWAYS IN STOCK

AT REASONABLE PRICES

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You will NEVER if you VISIT

MOHIDEEN & THAHA,

in D'AGUILAR STREET, the NEW JEWELLERS AND DEALERS

in CEYLON PRECIOUS STONES

of every description, and other GEMS.

LEE YEE HAIR DRESSING SALOON.

HAS ALWAYS ON HAND CIGARS, CIGARETTES

AND TOILET REQUISITES FOR SALE.

11, D'AGUILAR STREET, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 1st September 1909.

To Let.

TO LET.

IN No. 6, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL, One Godown.

In No. 5, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Victoria Building, Rooms suitable for Offices. ROOMS in College Chambers, No. 31, WYNDHAM STREET.

Apply to— DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 18th November, 1909.

TO LET.

GODOWN, No. 4, PRAYA, Kennedy Town.

Apply to— THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD. Hongkong, 22nd October, 1909.

TO LET.

NOS. 20 and 21, PRAYA, KENNEDY TOWN, two extensive two-storied semi-detached godowns, ground surface of cement concrete.

No. 1A, Praya, Kennedy Town, one extensive two-storied godown. All are in first class condition, suitable for storing Rice, Flour, &c. Rents moderate.

Apply to— DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 8th November, 1909.

TO LET.

KING'S BUILDINGS, OFFICES facing the Harbour from about October, at present in occupation of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.

Apply— THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD. Hongkong, 3rd June, 1909.

TO LET.

No. 1 & 2 MORRISON HILL, also OFFICES at No. 2 PEDDER STREET. Apply to— Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LTD. Hongkong, 29th May, 1909.

TO LET.

OFFICES, No. 2, CONNAUGHT ROAD, 3rd Floor. No. 1, CLIFTON GARDENS, CONDUIT.

A HOUSE in WONG-MEICHONG ROAD. A HOUSE in RYONG TERRACE. OFFICES in YORK BUILDING. GODOWNS in PRAYA EAST, BEDS BUILDINGS, and No. 108, DES VŒUX ROAD next to the Hongkong Hotel.

FLATS in MORETON TERRACE, No. 10, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL, 1st Floor.

Apply to— THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD. Hongkong, 30th November, 1909.

TO LET.

OFFICES and ROOMS on the 2nd Floor of No. 14, Des Vœux Road Central (formerly occupied by Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co.).

Apply to— THE COMPTROLLER DEPARTMENT, E. D. Sassoon & Co., Queen's Road Central. Hongkong, 11th September, 1909.

TO LET.

GODOWN No. 5A, DUDDELL STREET.

Apply to— THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD. Hongkong, 2nd June, 1909.

For Sale.

FOR SALE:

AMERICAN BILLIARD TABLE (Nearly New).

Balls, Cues, Rest, all complete.

Apply to—

GEO. McBAIN.

No. 22, New Praya.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1909.

FOR SALE

AT

GRACA & Co.'s STORE,

27, Des Vœux Road Central.

XMAS GOODS.

JUST UNPACKED

RAPHAEL TUCKS XMAS AND NEW YEAR CARDS

Popular packets of 18 Assorted Cards for 50 cents, also selected varieties at various prices.

Xmas Auto Stationery, Cribes, Calendars, Art Relief Novelties, Utensible Rag Picture Books for Children, Mechanical and Rocking Animals, Kindergarten A. B. C.

Half Masks, Pictorial Puzzle Post Cards—A highly fascinating and instructive pastime.

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TOM SMITH'S CRACKERS, SWEETS in Fancy Boxes and Porcelain VARIETIES OF ALBUMS FOR: Autographs, Poetry, Post Cards, Postage Stamps.

GIFT BOOKS—Selected varieties appropriate for Children.

ARTISTIC PICTURES on glass, &c. framed, VIEW POST CARDS of Hongkong, China and Chinese Costumes.

FLOWER AND VEGETABLE SEEDS, GARDEN BOOTS with wooden soles and thick felt lining.

PICTORIAL GUIDE to Gardening, PERFUMES, SOAP, Hair Tools.

DISH PAPERS, MANILA CIGARS and CIGARETTES; also USED POSTAGE STAMPS and ALL PHILATELIC REQUISITES.

INSPECTION INVITED. Hongkong, 20th November, 1909.

FURNITURE WAREHOUSE.

LI KWONG LOONG & CO.,

CABINET-MAKERS AND ART DECORATORS, from Shanghai, has re-opened their FURNITURE STORE

at No. 10, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL. The only Shop in Hongkong with this name.

WHERE HIGH-CLASS FURNITURE of every description can be made to order in any design required.

Have been patronised by the Hongkong Club, Hongkong Hotel, Telegraph Co., Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Firms and other leading establishments in the Colony, to whom reference can be made as to the Superior Workmanship and Materials of the Furniture, &c., supplied.

Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., write as follows: "We have pleasure in stating that Mr. LI KWONG LOONG furnished the Annex to our Dispensary and gave us every satisfaction." (Sd.) A. S. WATSON & Co., 25th May, 1891.

ORDERS punctually attended to, and CHARGES most moderate.

AN INSPECTION INVITED.

Consignees.

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS, LTD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBRO', ANTWERP, HULL, LONDON AND PORTS.

THE Steamship "GLEN TURRET,"

Captain Webster, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on TUESDAY, 7th December, at 3 P.M.

All Claims must be presented within fifteen days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 7th December will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents. Hongkong, 2nd December, 1909.

WEATHER-FORCAST AND STORM-WARNINGS ISSUED FROM THE HONGKONG OBSERVATORY.

METEOROLOGICAL SIGNALS.

Meteorological signals are hoisted on the mast in front of the Water Police Station at Tsim Sha Tsui for the information of masters of vessels leaving the port. They do not necessarily imply that bad weather is expected here:—

1. A CONE point upwards indicates a Typhoon to the North of the Colony.
2. A CONE point upwards and DRUM below indicates a Typhoon to the North-East of the Colony.
3. A DRUM indicates a Typhoon to the East of the Colony.
4. A CONE point downwards and DRUM below indicates a Typhoon to the South-East of the Colony.
5. A CONE point downwards indicates a Typhoon to the South of the Colony.
6. A CONE point downwards and BALL below indicates a Typhoon to the South-West of the Colony.
7. A BALL indicates a Typhoon to the West of the Colony.
8. A CONE point upwards and BALL below indicates a Typhoon to the North-West of the Colony.

Red Signals indicate that the centre is believed to be more than 300 miles away from the Colony.

Black Signal, indicate that the centre is believed to be less than 300 miles away from the Colony.

The above signals will, as heretofore, be hoisted only when typhoons exist in such positions or are moving in such directions that information regarding them is considered to be of importance to the Colony or to shipping leaving the harbour.

These signals are repeated at the Harbour Office, H.M.S. Tamar, Green Island Signal Mast, and the Flagstaff on the premises of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company at Kowloon.

URGENT SIGNAL.

In addition to the above, when it is expected that the wind may increase to full typhoon force at any moment, the following Urgent Signal will be made at the Water Police Station, and repeated at the Harbour Office:—

THREE EXPLOSIVE BOMBS, AT INTERVALS OF TEN SECONDS.

A Black Cross will be hoisted at the same time, superior to the other shapes.

NIGHT SIGNALS.

The following Night Signals will be exhibited from the Flagstaff on the roof of the Water Police Station at Kowloon, the Harbour Office Flagstaff, and H.M.S. Tamar.

I. Three Lights Vertical, Green Green Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated more than 300 miles from the Colony.

II. Three Lights Vertical, Green Red Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated less than 300 miles from the Colony.

III. Three Lights Vertical, Red Green Red, indicates that the wind may be expected to increase to full typhoon force at any moment.

No. III. Signal will be accompanied by the Explosive Bombs, as above, in the event of the information conveyed by this signal being first published by night.

These Night Signals will be substituted for the Day Signals at sunset, and will, when necessary, be altered during the night.

SUPPLEMENTARY WARNING.

For the benefit of Native Craft and passing Ocean Vessels, a Cone will be exhibited at each of the following stations during the time that any of the above Day Signals are hoisted in the Harbour:

Gap Rock.	Aberdeen.
Waglan.	Sai Ki Wan.
Stanley.	Sai Kung.
Cape Collinson.	Sai Tan Kok.
	Tai Po.

This will indicate that there is a depression somewhere in the China Sea, and that a Storm Warning is hoisted in the Harbour.

Further details can always be given to Ocean Vessels, on demand, by signal from the Flaghouse.

F. G. Fies, Director.

Intimation.

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Auction.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from W. D. GRAHAM, Esq., to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, TO-MORROW, the 3rd December, 1909, at 3 P.M., within his residence, "Hayter," No. 10, the Peak, THE WHOLE OF HIS VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

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SOME GOOD JAPANESE AND CHINESE CURIOS.

Catalogues will be issued. On view on Wednesday, the 1st instant.

TERMS—As usual. HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers. Hongkong, 2nd December, 1909. [794]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, ON

SATURDAY, the 4th December, 1909, at 2.30 P.M., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, corner of Ice House Street,

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF JAPANESE CURIOS, Comprising—

SILK-EMBROIDERED and HAND-PAINTED WALL HANGINGS, KAKE-MONOS, SCREENS and SILK-EMBROIDERED KIMONOS, KINKOSAN SATSUMA VASES and TEA SETS, BRASS VASES and BOWLS, IVORY CARVINGS, MAKUDZU and KOGO VASES, BOWLS, NOTHER-O-REAR INLAID LACQUERED PANELS and SCREENS, NAGAYA and KAGA TEA SETS, SILVER and GOLD CLOISONNE WARE, TABLES, STANDS, and a quantity of GOLD DAMASCENE WARE, &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued. TERMS—As usual. HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers. Hongkong, 29th November, 1909. [804]

Intimations.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

APPLICATIONS, which should be addressed to the Registrar General, are invited for the post of CHINESE TRANSLATOR in the Supreme Court, the Salary of the Post is \$1,680 a year rising to \$2,040.

F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary. 30th November, 1909. [806]

BAZAAR IN AID OF THE POOR CHINESE ORPHANS.

ASILE DE LA SAINTE ENFANCE, Under the Distinguished Patronage of His Excellency Sir FREDERICK LUGARD, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O.

The French Sisters have the honour to announce that their ANNUAL BAZAAR will be held at the CITY HALL on THURSDAY, the 9th inst., at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

They request your presence in order to inspect the different Needle and Fancy Works made by their Poor Orphans, Asile de la Sainte Enfance, Hongkong, 30th November, 1909. [807]

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Hongkong, 20th November, 1909. [89]

OPIMUM IN SINGAPORE.

DRAFT RULES TO BE LAID BEFORE THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Draft rules made by the Governor in Council under section 40 of the Customs Revenue Ordinance, 1909, which will be laid before the Legislative Council for approval, on Friday next, are published in the *Gazette*. They include rules as to the sale of opium, the licensing and management of licensed warehouses, the licensing and regulation of places used for the sale or consumption of opium, the landing, removing and re-shipping of opium, and transshipment. The rules state that opium shall only be sold in the packets made up by the superintendent containing three huns, four huns, five huns, six huns and seven-and-a-half huns and in receptacles made up by the superintendent holding three and one half, five and one half, seven and one half, and nine and one half huns respectively. No person licensed to sell opium shall sell opium at prices exceeding the following:—for every 3-hun packet 11 cents, 4-hun packet 15 cents, 5-hun packet 19 cents, 6-hun packet 23 cents, 7-hun packet 28 cents, 3-chi receptacle 3 cents, 1-tahil receptacle \$3.30.

In the rules a tahil means a weight of one and a third ounces avoirdupois, and a chi and a hun weigh one-tenth and one-hundredth of such tahil, respectively.

All licensed warehouses shall be closed between the hours of 6 p.m. and 6 a.m. and no opium shall be received or delivered by the licensee during that time except upon the written authority of the superintendent.

A fee at the rate of \$40 a month shall be payable for every licence for a licensed warehouse issued by the superintendent, and the superintendent shall pay the same into the treasury of the general credit of the colony. A fraction of a month shall count as a full month.

Every licensee shall be deemed to commit an offence who sells or exchanges opium otherwise than for current coin; who sells or delivers opium to any person other than an adult male; and who sells or delivers opium to any European or native soldier or to any police officer without the authority in writing of the commanding officer of such soldier or police officer.

Every licensee of a public smoking room shall keep his licensed premises closed between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m.

Every licensee of a public smoking room shall be deemed to commit an offence who allows any person to have access to his licensed premises for any immoral purpose or permits persons of notorious bad character to frequent the same; who allows any person other than an adult male Chinese to smoke opium on his licensed premises. Any person to be so found on such premises shall be presumed permitted unless the contrary is proved; who allows any female or child not being the licensee or the wife or child of the licensee to enter into or remain in his licensed premises or allows any armed person to so enter or remain.

The fees for licences shall be as follows:—for a licence for a retail opium shop, \$24 per annum; for a licence for a public Smoking Room in a first-class neighbourhood, \$48 per annum.

The rules for the landing, removing and re-shipping of opium provide that no opium shall be removed without a permit, available for 24 hours, after which the permit is to be returned to the office of imports and exports. To remove opium from one place to another in a settlement requires a permit. Transshipment also requires a permit, all these permits being of specified form as appended to the rules.

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Intimations.

OF THE MULTITUDES

who have used it, or are now using it, we have never heard of any one who has been disappointed in it. No claims are made for it, except those which are amply justified by experience. In commending it to the afflicted we simply point to its record. It has done great things, and it is certain to continue the excellent work. There is—no medicine with greater and more reasonable faith and confidence. It nourishes and keeps up the strength during those periods when the appetite fails and food cannot be digested. To guard against imitations and substitutions, our "trade mark" is put on every bottle of "Wampole's Preparation," and without it none is genuine. It is palatable as honey and contains the nutritive and curative properties of Pure Cod Liver Oil, extracted by us from fresh cod livers, combined with the Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites and the Extracts of Malt and Wild Cherry. Taken before meals it creates an appetite, aids digestion, renews vital power, drives out disease germs, makes the blood rich, red and full of constructive elements, and gives back to the pleasures and labours of the world many who had abandoned hope. Dr. S. H. McCoy, of Canada, says: "I testify with pleasure to its unlimited usefulness as a tissue builder." Its curative power can always be relied upon. It makes a new era in medicine, is beneficial from the first dose and represents effective medical treatment of the twentieth century. "You can trust it as the ivy does the Oak." One bottle convinces. Watch carefully against imitations. At all chemists here and throughout the world.

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Sole Agent, Hongkong, 30th April, 1909. [140]

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12.00 noon to 1.00 p.m. ...Every 15 minutes
1.00 p.m. to 2.00 p.m. ...Every 15 minutes
2.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. ...Every 15 minutes
3.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. ...Every 15 minutes
4.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. ...Every 15 minutes
5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. ...Every 15 minutes

NIGHT CARS.

6.15 p.m. and 9 p.m., 9.45 p.m. to 11.15 p.m. every half hour.

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8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. ...Every 15 minutes
9.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. ...Every 15 minutes
10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. ...Every 15 minutes
11.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon ...Every 15 minutes
12.00 noon to 1.00 p.m. ...Every 15 minutes
1.00 p.m. to 2.00 p.m. ...Every 15 minutes
2.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. ...Every 15 minutes
3.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. ...Every 15 minutes
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" Roast—Shiu 20

" Breast—Ngau Lam 20

" Soup, Tong Yuk 20

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" Sirloin—Ngau Lam 20

" Sausages—Ngau Yuk Chong 20

" Bollock's Brakes—Know 20

" Tongue fresh—Ngau Li 20

" Corned—Ham Ngau Li 20

" Head—Ngau Tau 20

" Heart—Ngau Sum 20

" Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin 20

" Feet—Ngau Kook 20

" Kidneys—Ngau Yiu 20

" Tail—Ngau Mei 20

" Liver—Ngau Con 20

" Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To 20

" Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau-chai 20

" Mutton Chop—Young Pal Kwat 20

" Leg—Young Pal 20

" Shoulder—Young Shau 20

" Pig's Chiddings—Chi chong 20

" Brains—Chi Kook 20

" Feet—Chi Kook 20

" Fry—Chi Chak 20

" Head—Chi Tau 20

" Heart—Chi Sum 20

" Kidneys—Chi Yiu 20

" Liver—Chi Kon 20

" Pork Chop—Chi Pal Kwat 20

" Corned—Ham Chai Yuk 20

" Leg—Chi Pal 20

" Fat or Lard—Chi Yau 20

" Sheep's Head and Feet—Young Tau 20

" Kook 20

" Heart—Young Sum 20

" Kidneys—Young Yiu 20

" Liver—Young Con 20

" Sucking Pig, To Order—Chi Chai 20

" Suet Beef—Sang Ngau Yau 20

" Mutton—Sang Young Yau 20

" Veal—Ngau Chai Yuk 20

" Sausages—Ngau Chai Yuk Tong 20

POULTRY.

Chicken—Kai Chai 20

" Capons, Large, Small—Sin Kai 20

" Ducks—Ap 20

" Doves—Fan Kai 20

" Eggs, Hen—Kai Tai 20

" Fowls, Canton—Kai 20

" Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai 20

" Geese—Ngo 20

" Geese, Wild Shanghai—Shung Hoi Ye 20

" Nge 20

" Musk Deer—Wong Keng 20

" Hare—Tu Chai 20

" Partridge—Chi Khoo 20

" Pheasant—Shan Kai 20

" Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kung 20

" Holghow—Holghow Pak Kung 20

" Quail—Hoi Ghun 20

" Rice Birds—Wo Fa Cheuk 20

" Snipe—Sa Chai 20

" Turkeys, Cock—Fo Kai Kung 20

" Hen—Na 20

" Wild Ducks, Shanghai, Sulap 20

" Teal, Shanghai, Sulap 20

" Wild Ducks Canton—Sang Shing Sulap 20

" Fish 20

" Barbel—Ka Yu 20

" Beam—Bin Yu 20

" Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin Yu 20

" Carp—Li Yu 20

" Catfish—Chik Yu 20

" Codfish—Mun Yu 20

" Crabs—Hoi 20

" Gudgeon—Pak Kung Yu 20

" Herring—Tao Pak 20

" Halibut—Cheung Kwan Yu 20

" Labrus—Wong Yu 20

" Loach—Wo Yu 20

" Lobsters—Lung Ha 20

" Mackereel—Chai Yu 20

" Monk Fish—Mun Yu 20

" Mullus—Chai Yu 20

" Oysters—Sang Hoo 20

" Parrotfish—Kai Kung Yu 20

" Perch—Tau Leo 20

" Pike—Fa Pau Poong 20

" Planchet—Pau Yu 20

" Pomfret—Black—Hak Chong 20

" Pomfret—White—Pak Chong 20

" Prawns—Ming Ha 20

" Ray—Pai Pa 20

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Hongkong, 15th July, 1909

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1909.

SHOULD CLERKS WORK
OVERTIME.

How many hours a day should clerks—or, as they are dignified here, assistants—be compelled to work *per diem*? There is a question for the economist, the free trader and the sportsman. Of course, we are well aware that shipping clerks are the salt of the earth, and do not work at all, but we are speaking now of the humbler fry, those who do the business of the Colony. The question has arisen in Shanghai, as the result, if we remember aright, of a civil action, the details of which have escaped our memory. It was a German case in which a clerk was required to work till the work was done. It now appears that the German Consular Court has taken up the matter and these are the questions which have been submitted to the Shanghai Chamber of Commerce, for "expert opinion":

1. Does here in Shanghai exist a local custom for the employees of commercial houses according to which, unless exceptional circumstances require working after the regular office hours the offices are closed at 5 o'clock p.m. on Saturday and 5 o'clock p.m. on other days of the week?

2. Does here at Shanghai exist a local custom according to which the working hours of the clerks of commercial houses employed in the cable departments exceed the customary close of business, i.e. in case of question 1, it is to be answered in the affirmative, said clerks have to work as a rule after 5 o'clock p.m. on Saturday and 5 o'clock p.m. on other days of the week? Isn't it a shame that such queries should have to be submitted to expert opinion at all? Who ever heard of a clerk, or should we repeat an assistant, refusing to work beyond the regular hours? And from the German Consular Court too! It has always been the admiration of people who are not clerks to watch the young and innocent German fledgling working till his back breaks, hours or no hours. In Scotland, Ireland and England employees have to work—particularly if they are clerks, but here in China we are all getting too big for our boots. But to return to the expert opinion. The Chamber of Commerce of Shanghai in a delightful letter which we must quote in full wrote:

Sir—I have the honour to inform you that your letter of the 15th instant was received at a meeting of the committee held on the 17th and when it was decided that the answer to the first question is in the negative.

Now, we suggest, that is an excellently conceived non-committal answer. It says "no" to a question that was never asked. Obviously, the leading question was to the effect that clerks should work till bone and sinew failed. And if they refused—but, then, that was only an insinuation. After all, why shouldn't clerks, even shipping clerks, have their rights? We are all willing to work past the ordinary hours of business when work has to be done. There are even some Christians who will work on Sundays and many, very many, Jews work on Saturdays. The whole thing is a game on the part of the German Consular authorities of Shanghai to impose a condition of coercion on their employees. We will put it no higher than this: Given a good firm, a considerate manager and the employees will work till, in an expressive Spanish phrase, the sweat runs out of their bones.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Mr. D. Cinatti, the assistant Portuguese Delimitation Commissioner, is confined to his room with a severe attack of influenza.

It is not the fact, although it was alleged by certain Scotch members of the Legislative Council this afternoon, that the official clock was one of those who attended the St. Andrew's Ball. The clock, it is true, stood at twenty minutes to twelve—but that might mean anything.

The steam-launch *Douglas* was sold by Messrs. Hughes and Hough at public auction in the forenoon, to-day. Bidding was very keen. The first offer was for \$400, and competition between Chinese competitors ran the price up to \$700, at which the launch was knocked down to Kwong Wo.

GENERAL Sir Joachim Machado, K.C.M.G., the Portuguese Delimitation Commissioner, proceeds on a visit to Canton on Saturday morning, returning to Hongkong by the Sunday night boat. His Secretary, Capt. J. M. R. Norton, who has gone to Macao, will meet His Excellency at Canton.

THIS evening at the Union Church Literary Club, Kennedy Road, Mrs. W. J. Williams, Litt. B., will deliver a lecture entitled "The many-sidedness of Charles Dickens as seen in David Copperfield," with illustrated readings. The lecture will be open to the public, and the chair will be taken at 9 p.m. sharp by Mr. P. H. Holyoak.

AT about three o'clock on Saturday morning, a Chinaman landed from the s.s. *Shun Lee* with twenty fads of opium in his possession. He was duly brought before Mr. E. R. Wallis (First Magistrate) and fined the maximum sum of \$500. Mr. J. H. Gardner, who appeared for the defendant, at the time asked for a re-hearing. The re-hearing took place this forenoon, when Mr. Hallifax upheld his decision.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held in the Council Chamber this afternoon. Present: His Excellency the Governor, Sir Frederick Lugard, K.C.M.G., His Excellency Major-General R. G. Broadwood, C.B. (Commanding the Forces), Hon. Sir Henry H. May, K.C.M.G. (Colonial Secretary), Hon. Mr. A. Hazeland (Attorney-General), Hon. Mr. A. M. Thomson (Colonial Treasurer), Hon. Mr. P. N. H. Jones (Director of Public Works), Hon. Mr. F. J. Badesley (Captain Superintendent of Police), Hon. Mr. A. W. Brewin (Registrar-General), Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, M.B., C.M.G., Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson, Hon. Mr. Wei Yuk, C.M.G., Hon. Mr. E. Osborne, Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewitt, Hon. Mr. Murray Stewart, and Mr. O. Clementi (Clerk of Council).

MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

PAPER.

The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table a memorandum on the licensing of public houses in Hongkong.

FINANCIAL MINUTES.

The Colonial Secretary laid on the table Financial Minutes Nos. 51 to 54. It was agreed that they be referred to the Finance Committee.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

The Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Governor, laid on the table the report of the Finance Committee (No. 18).

SANITARY BY-LAWS.

On the motion of the Colonial Secretary, seconded by the Attorney-General, by-laws under the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903-1909, relating to:—

- (a) Depots of Cattle, Pigs, Sheep and Goats.
- (b) Cemetery By-laws Nos. 6, 10 and 11.
- (c) Cemetery By-law No. 12.

were adopted.

CHINESE LIQUOR DUTIES.

The Colonial Secretary moved the following resolution:—

Resolved that the duties on all native wines and spirits referred to in Section 3 of the said Ordinance be repealed and the duties following be substituted therefor:—

"1. 50 cents a gallon on the native liquor known as *Liu' on* and *Sheng Ching* and on the following sweetened, prepared and medicated wines:—

No. 1. *Mai Tsau*, *Hak No Mai*, *Mau Kao*, *Yuk Yu*, *Ning Mui Tsau*, *Tsing Mui*, *Muk Kwai*, *Fu Tung*, *Wu Tsau*, *Shui Li Tsau*, *Sam Kai*, *Lung San Tsau*, *Tei Kuk*, *Sam Pin*, *Ti Tsau*, *Fung Shap* and *Wai Sheng*.

All such liquor shall contain not more than 25 per cent. of alcohol by weight.

2. 50 cents a gallon on the native liquor known as *Sam Ching*, containing not more than 35 per cent. of alcohol by weight.

3. 50 cents a gallon on the native liquor known as *Fa Tsau* and on the following sweetened, prepared or medicated wines:—

No. 1. *Ka Pei*, *Mui Kwai Lo*, *Sz Kwok Kung*, *Fu Kwai Muk Fa*, *Yan Chan Lo*, and *Ko Lung Koa*.

All such liquor shall contain not more than 45 per cent. of alcohol by weight.

4. 30 cents a gallon on the native liquor known as *Fa Tsau*, containing 50% or under of alcohol by weight, with the addition of two cents for every one per centum between 50% and 55% of alcohol by weight.

5. 50 cents a gallon with the addition of eight cents for every one per centum above 55% of alcohol by weight on any native liquor containing above 55% of alcohol by weight.

6. 80 cents per gallon on all native liquor distilled in the New Territories, not including New Kowloon, for consumption in the said Territories.

Further resolved that on native wines and spirits declared or labelled as belonging to any of the above divisions the appropriate duty therein laid down shall be paid except that on any native liquor however declared or labelled found by the Government Analyst or such person as the Governor may from time to time appoint in that behalf to contain more alcohol than is permitted in the division to which it is declared or labelled as belonging there shall be paid the appropriate duty of the division in which the amount of alcohol found has placed it; each division in such case shall represent native liquor of the limit of strength in alcohol therein stated and irrespective of any definition or description of such liquor, and on any native wines and spirits not declared or labelled as belonging to any division there shall be paid the duty appropriate to the division in which the amount of alcohol found by the Government Analyst or such person as the Governor may from time to time appoint on that behalf has placed it.

Further resolved that stills in the New Territories (not including New Kowloon) shall be prohibited from sending liquor produced in these stills to Hongkong or to New Kowloon: provided that any licensee of a distillery who desires to send such liquor to Hongkong or New Kowloon may be granted a permit to do so, payment of the duties charged in Hongkong or New Kowloon.

Further resolved that on intoxicating liquors, other than spirits of wine, arrack and native wines and spirits, imported into, distilled, made or prepared in the Colony above proof strength there shall be paid an additional duty of 4 cents for every degree above proof in the case of brandy, 3 cents for every degree above proof in the case of whisky, and 2 cents for every degree above proof in the case of any other liquor.

The Attorney-General seconded.

Agreed.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Mr. Murray Stewart inquired about the question of breaking into cases of whisky.

The Colonial Secretary explained that such procedure would seldom be necessary.

NEW LAW COURTS SITE.

Hon. Mr. Murray Stewart:—I rise to move that "in the opinion of this Council immediate steps should be taken to abate the nuisance created by the condition of the plot of Government land between the new Law Courts and the Praya." Perhaps the best way to realize the nuisance referred to is to put one's self in the position of a stranger. Any observant and interested stranger landing on the Praya opposite Queen Victoria's statue and looking first to his right front and then to his left would mark a striking contrast. On his right he would note with pleasure a well-kept grass plot bordered with flowers and enclosed by a handsome railing. On his left he would see an unsightly conglomeration of ramshackle and tattered matchboxes, piles of rotting poles, odds and ends of old timbers, untidy heaps of granite chippings, weedgrown stacks of bricks, cock-houses—other outhouses—all the stagnant refuse which collects in a builder's yard. The fact that the tattered matchboxes are in the occupation of a certain Chinese contractor is advertised in large letters over the entrance to them, and the observant stranger, noticing this, might imagine that here was a flagrant case of private ownership in land resulting in public wrong.

"Here," he might say, "is a case where it would obviously be right for the State to step in and to force the owner of this prominently situated plot either to put it to some less uselessly use or submit to a forced sale." He might contend, without going all the way with the Chancellor of the Exchequer, that no rights of private ownership should carry with them such an unwanted want of consideration for the proprieties of city government and so imperfect a sense of the fitness of things, as to lease out for such a purpose land adjoining a public square. If the stranger, as well as being observant and interested, happened also to be distinguished, and had been met and taken charge of on landing by an emissary of the Government, say, by the Hon. the Director of Public Works, how could it be satisfactory to explain that these well-kept gardens were the outward and visible sign of public spirit, displayed by private citizen, and that the hideous spectacle of disorder lying to the left was created and maintained by the governing powers? The Governmentologist recalling certain answers to recent questions would say that the nuisance was necessary to the work on the new Post Office, which building would be pointed out in the distance, possibly with pride, as one whose four stories it had taken five years to raise. Passing along the Praya towards the Club the stranger would first note a quiet bungalow. He would be told that it is a special drawing office for new Post Office plans, the building being now up. He would make a mental note that such an ugly structure ought never to have been erected in a prominent position on the sea-front. Next his curiosity would be aroused by the sight of a few lean and rusty iron chimneys sticking up at varying angles one out of each of the four corners of a small enclosure immediately in rear of the ugly bungalow. He would look inside and see that each of these chimneys rose out of a brick oven. He would see sand lying about and small stones in heaps. He would smell coal tar. He might even taste it. He would feel he imagined him to have landed before the site of this resolution was given. Two

simmering cauldrons stood out in the roadway smoking over the passer-by. Our stranger might have recognized the process of tarring macadam and wondered what this had to do with the work on the Post Office. It would have had to be explained that this tar macadam factory is the Public Works Department's separate contribution to the choir, for which it cannot be claimed that it is covered by any sort of necessity whatever. I do not see how any apologist of Government can even excuse it. I suppose it will be said that, as the Post Office contractor had already made an unsightly mess, there was no particular harm in making it worse. But surely the officials of the Public Works Department should restrain not lead, disorder. They owe this duty to the public. To their immediate superiors they recognize a duty well enough. They would realize the impropriety of making a tar macadam factory opposite the entrance to Government House. Why then upon the threshold of the Colony? This is a glaring instance of that want of a proper sense of the fitness of things concerning which there is justifiable public complaint. The Praya opposite Foyal Square is the city's front door step. It should be kept clean and swept clear. It is no more suitable for such purposes than is the front door step of a private house suitable for cooking the dinner. Walking on round that part of the plot enclosed by a pallid the stranger would wonder why the license is allowed to leave about, outside on the sidewalk, old cart wheels, and stone road rollers, drain pipes and logs of wood. And from what he saw on turning to the right, he might reasonably suppose that not only was an industry in connection with road-making being carried on from the enclosure but also the business of a laundry. He would have noticed dangling on bamboos above the weedgrown heaps of bricks, which top the pallid on the east, numbers of old coats and pants, and, when he came round to the west, another assortment of similar rags, flaunting behind the statue of His Majesty the King. If he had been, with me one day recently he would have seen the crew of a junk, evidently mistaking the land on which the statue stands for waste land, using it as a place to spread and mend their sails. If he had been with me a day later, he would have seen the Monarch's effigy closely invested, up to the steps of the pedestal, by ramparts of large iron pipes. Often he might have seen, since the beginning of the N.E. monsoon, smoke from the coal-tar factory pouring over it, or perhaps from the kitchen chimneys in rear. The stranger might have questioned the propriety of erecting this statue until it could be treated with proper respect. He might ask, How did this state of matters begin? His cicero might not be able to tell him. Only an old resident could give him an idea. Here I might come in. My recollection would be that the Public Works Department did not start the nuisance now complained of. They have only increased and intensified it of late years. Lighter powers in the Government began it. I can't remember exact dates, but I recall the circumstances. I remember as one who can recall local events far longer than I care to realize. But one need not confess to having taken a continuous interest in this particular matter for more than a decade. Only then did the question arise. What is to be done with the plot of Government land between the site fixed for the new Law Courts and the Praya? In those days Hongkong was prosperous. She occupied a dominating position as a docking centre. She still held her own as a mart and distributing place. We were all filled with pride and vain glory. And when we discussed the question of what ought to be done with the plot in question, some of us maintained that the Government should here erect a building to serve the purposes of a Town Hall, a noble granite building in the classic style worthy of the most beautifully situated city in the King's Dominion. That dream will someday, I hope, come true, though it seems further off now than then. But even then, in the days of prosperity, we saw that it could not be realised until the new Law Courts and Post Office had been built and the claims of waterworks satisfied. And consequently it was hoped and expected that, in the meantime, the Government would clear and maintain as an open space the plot in question, as well as the 75 feet to the west of it. This last, the Government, filled with emulation by the example set on the other side of Queen Victoria's Statue, actually proposed to do, just eight years ago. But this Colony suffers from lack of continuity, the word which Lord Kitchener left as a legacy to the Indian Army. A new ruler—the plea of necessity alleged by a Director of Public Works, able as an engineer, but apparently lacking in artistic perception, and, instead of a garden, a drawing office, and a matchbox for some Indian police quarries had to be re-built. Then, when these were completed, the rebuilding of the Volunteer Headquarters was decided upon, and the matchboxes vacated by the police were utilised as temporary quarters. The public indulged a hope that it would not be for long. But upon the completion of the Volunteer Headquarters a new reason was found for delay. The contractor who had undertaken the building of the Post Office induced the Government to let the plot to him. There was then little realization of the length of time it would take to erect the edifice, and no notion that for five or six years this use of the plot would be an alleged necessity of its evenual existence. Had there been, dissatisfaction would have been more widespread and more outspoken. Ever since the condition of the plot has been an eyesore. At first, there was no surrounding pallid. The Hongkong public owes the improvement due to the erection of these palisades to the Garner Mission—to the visit paid to the Colony by His Royal Highness Prince Arthur of Connaught. I remember the zeal displayed by the Public Works Department in tidying things up on the eve of his arrival. The same zeal was once again displayed when His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught subsequently spent a day or two in

the Colony. As Hongkong has not since then been favoured by a visit from Royalty the condition of the plot in question has been unimprovedly declining, from bad to worse. Are we faced with the prospect of this process continuing until the Post Office is completed? This question was asked at our last meeting. My aim in asking it was to ascertain, if possible, whether the Government realized the extent of, and recognised reasons for, a growing impatience over the long continued use of this particular piece of public land for the purposes of a contractor's yard. The Hon. the Director of Public Works said that the question—the third of a series—was disposed of by the answer vouchsafed to the second. I am unable to see that the answer to the second question had any relation to the third at all. The Hon. the Director of Public Works did not catch the drift of the latter question. If he had he would have foreseen that it could not be so easily disposed of, that it was certain to crop up again, as it has done in the resolution. The fact that he understood the question to refer only to the improper occupation of these worksheds as tenements argued an imperfect realization of the far larger aspect of the nuisance, and I have therefore felt constrained to refer to it again, and to indicate the hope, which underlies the original question, of finding the Government willing to admit that the time has now arrived to improve matters. It does not seem to me to be unreasonable to expect this. I have no wish to add to the work and worries of any hard-pressed official. To a man overwhelmed with the numbers of files that heap themselves up upon his office desk, awaiting minutes, it may seem hard to be made responsible for what is happening on the Praya. But it is not the public's fault if the system on which the Department is worked calls for improvements, which would enable the Hon. the Director of Public Works to use his pen less and his eyes more. But this opens a larger question. I desire to confine the discussion to the plot in question. Surely, now it might be possible to abate the nuisance created by its present condition. The Post Office, built up to the top story. The edifice awaits only its roof and the tower which is to crown it. If, as I understand, the only work, connected with the building of the Post Office, now being carried on in the yard is the sawing by hand of timber—a method somewhat antiquated in these days of bandaws cutting teak like butter—surely there is no necessity for renewing the lease? The contractor will say there is no other place to saw it. But if he were to receive to-morrow three months' notice to quit, in that time I think he could find away. Where there's a will there's a way. And if the Public Works Department had the will they could find a way to do without the drawing office and the tar factory on the sea-front. The closure of the drawing office, the removal of the road surface factory, and an issue of marching orders to the woodyard, these are the immediate steps called for under the circumstances and this is the meaning of the word abate—the meaning which it carries in law when coupled with the word nuisance. Thus strengthened it is the equivalent of abolish; thus I intend it to be read in the resolution which I now move. In speaking to it I have endeavoured as far as possible to repress the pent up feelings of years of irritation. They are not personal to any particular official. They are directed against the ideas that the Hon. the Director of Public Works is a law unto himself and that his subordinates and contractors in carrying out Government work are free to display indifference towards considerations which it should be their pride to advance. I appeal to powers in the Government overruling this department to put an end on the plot of ground in question to a condition of things which has grown to be creditable to the Administration as a whole.

Hon. Mr. Osborne:—I beg to second this resolution. It will no doubt be contended by those who are responsible for the retention of these unsightly structures that they are necessary for construction work on the new Post Office. That the site in question is a convenient and economical one for the contractors, Messrs. Sang Lee and Co., is no doubt correct, but to contend that work for the P. O. Office can be done nowhere else than in Royal Square is an absurdity; for there is not a vestige of material prepared there, nor an atom of material stored upon the ground, which could not equally well be accommodated on any piece of waste land outside the City limits. If the Government, Sir, is bent upon continuing this nuisance, to the disregard of public sentiment, then let it at least mitigate the offence by interposing a suitable screen so that we may be spared the indignity of beholding the statue of our King embroidered as it is by workmen's shanties, by a lumber yard, and by a tarred macadam factory.

Mr. Hewitt also spoke in favour of the abatement of the nuisance in question.

The Colonial Secretary, in reply, remarked that they would all agree that the land in question should be tidied up, but he thought members did not realise the difficulties in a Colony such as Hongkong of providing facilities for the contractors of buildings such as the Post Office and Law Courts, by far the largest buildings the Government of this Colony had undertaken. He referred to the erection of Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s buildings and how difficult the contractors of that structure found it to obtain ground for the requirements of their workmen. He entered into details on the subject and said that the whole works would be tidied up as soon as possible. He concluded with a most amusing description of the Star Ferry Wharf, which, he suggested, was as much of a nuisance as the matchboxes in question.

Mr. Osborne spoke on behalf of the Star Ferry Company, laying the blame for its condition on the Government.

Mr. Murray Stewart replied.

His Excellency the Governor said he was very fully in sympathy with the object of the resolution, but he objected to the word "abate," except in the ordinary conversational use of the term. He would give his own

personal consideration and endeavour to ameliorate the condition of affairs.

Mr. Murray Stewart said that in these circumstances he would not press the resolution.

STEAM BOILERS.

On the motion of the Colonial Secretary, seconded by the Attorney-General, the draft Rules under the Steam Boilers Ordinance, 1909, (Ordinance No. 31 of 1909) were adopted.

TRADE MARKS.

Council again considered in Committee the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Law relating to Trade Marks.

When Council resumed, the Bill was reported with amendments.

The Bill was then read a third time and passed.

STAMP ORDINANCE.

The Attorney-General moved, and the Colonial Secretary seconded the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Stamp Ordinance, 1909.

This Bill proposes to further amend the Stamp Ordinance.

Clause 1 to 3 are designed, by the imposition of penalties in respect of delayed applications, to induce interested parties to make early application for the grant of probate of the estate of deceased persons and to prevent evasion of duties.

Clause 4 relates to the stamping on a conveyance or assignment on sale and incorporation under Section 55 of the Imperial Act 1891.

CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE.

On the motion of the Attorney-General, seconded by the Colonial Secretary, the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Code of Civil Procedure was passed.

The object of the amendment which is effected by this Ordinance is to restore the right of either party to ask for a jury in civil causes which right existed and would appear to have given satisfaction between the passing of the Hongkong Code of Civil Procedure in the year 1873 and the passing in the year 1901 of the Code of Civil Procedure which repealed the earlier Code.

SQUATTERS ORDINANCE.

The Attorney-General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Squatters Ordinance, 1899.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Agreed.

This Bill amends section 12 of the Squatters Ordinance, 1899.

In certain cases squatters' claims have been allowed by the Board, but it has been deemed desirable to withhold the grant of leases until sanitary buildings have been constructed and it is now proposed to give the Director of Public Works the alternative power of arranging for the grant of new sites in approved positions in exchange for the original holdings.

In the event of the arrangement not being effected the amount of compensation payable to the claimant is to be assessed by the Director of Public Works.

NEW TERRITORIES FORESHORE.

The Attorney-General moved, and the Colonial Secretary seconded, the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to exempt Crown Leases granted in respect of Foreshore and submerged lands in the New Territories from some of the conditions imposed under the Fore-shores and Sea Bed Ordinance, 1901.

Carried.

The Fore-shores and Sea Bed Ordinance, 1901, requires that Crown leases proposed to be granted in respect of fore-shore or sea bed should *inter alia* be published in the *Gazette* for a period of one month.

The Bill proposes to dispense with this condition as regards the New Territories where the *Gazette* is seldom seen and the cost is deemed unnecessary.

The other conditions in the Fore-shores and Sea Bed Ordinance, 1901, requiring the publication in Chinese of the terms of such leases by publicly posting them near the site of the property are not affected by the Bill.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

The Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Wireless Telegraphy Ordinance, 1903, and the Wireless Telegraphy Ordinance, 1909, was read a first time on the motion of the Attorney-General, seconded by the Colonial Secretary.

This Ordinance provides penalties for the violation of the Ordinances relating to wireless telegraphy.

ORDER AND CLEANLINESS.

The Attorney-General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Order and Cleanliness Ordinance, 1869.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Agreed.

LIQUORS ORDINANCES.

Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Liquor Licences Ordinance, 1898, and the Liquor Licence Extension Ordinance, 1908, and to repeal the Liquor Licences Amendment Ordinance, 1902, was withdrawn.

POSTPONED.

The following Bills were postponed:—*Bill* to amend the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Tramway Ordinance, 1902.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Council adjourned until the 9th inst.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held immediately after the meeting of Council, the Colonial Secretary presiding. It was agreed to recommend that the following votes be adopted by the Council:—

PRINTING AND BINDING.

A sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars in aid of the vote Miscellaneous Services, printing and binding miscellaneous papers.

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE STAFF.

A sum of nineteen thousand three hundred and fifty dollars in aid of the vote, Harbour Master's Department, Customs and Excise Staff, salaries and expenses of Customs and Excise staff.

MAGISTRATE'S ALLOWANCE.

A sum of three hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$325) in aid of the vote, Judicial and Legal Departments, B.—Magistracy, Other Charges, allowance of \$5.00 a day to the District Officer, New Territories, acting as First Police Magistrate in Hongkong.

This was all the business.

SHARE QUOTATIONS.

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ST CKS	NO. OF SHARES	VALUE	PAID UP	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE RETURN AT PRESENT QUOTATION	CI. SING QUOTATIONS
				RESERVE	AT WORKING ACCOUNT		
BANKS.							
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	130,000	\$125	\$125	\$1,500,000 \$1,510,000	\$2,001,810	Interim of £2 for account 1909 @ ex 1/8 = \$22.72	\$905 sellers London 99.9
National Bank of China, Limited	99,935	7	6	\$4,000 \$5,000	\$30,554	\$2 (London 3/6) for 1909	\$65 buyers
MARINE INSURANCES.							
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,500,000 \$154,583 \$102,791 \$185,000	none	\$10 for 1908	\$162½ sellers
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	£15	£5	Tls. 150,000 Tls. 20,747 Tls. 20,000 \$4,000,000	Tls. 160,512	Interim of 7/6 for 1908	Tls. 107 buyers
Union Insurance Society of Canton	12,400	\$150	\$100	\$1,000,000 \$178,848 \$105,249 \$682,609	\$8,464,401	Final of \$17 making \$47 for 1907 and interim of \$30 for 1908	\$175 buyers
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$50	\$1,000,000 \$294,495 \$199,264	\$7,757	\$12 and bonus \$3 for 1907	\$130 sellers
FIRE.							
China Fire Insurance Company	70,000	\$100	\$20	\$1,000,000 \$138,668 \$138,801	\$375,341	\$5 and bonus \$2 for 1907	\$114 buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$150	\$50	\$1,431,173	\$168,711	\$27 for 1907	\$375 sellers
SHIPPING.							
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$7,000 \$210,000 \$100,000	\$1,015	\$1 for 1906	\$8 sellers
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	20,000	\$50	\$50	\$210,000 \$100,000	NIL	\$1 for year ending 30.6.1908	\$33
Hongkong, Canton & Amoy Steamboat Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$217,500 \$119,207 \$22,645	\$21,170	Interim of \$1½ for account 1909	\$30½ sa. and b.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Preferred)	60,000	£5	£5	\$1,000,000 \$240,000	£13,755	6½ for 1907 on Preference shares only @ ex 1/10 = \$3.154	\$60 buyers
Do. (Deferred)	60,000			\$240,000		Final of 2½ for 1908 and interim of 1½ for a/c 1909	69½ buyers
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	2,000,000	£1	£1	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	£68,817	\$1.00 for year ending 10.4.1909	\$26 sales
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	\$48,000	\$1,121	\$5.50 for year ending 10.4.1909	\$14
REFINERIES.							
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$100	\$350,000 \$56,848	Dr. \$5,858	\$5 for year ending 31.12.08	\$159 sales
Luxon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	\$1	\$100	none	Dr. \$155,891	\$3 for 1907	\$21½ sales
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 5	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 9,17	Tls. 3½ for year ending 31.8.08	Tls. 305 sellers
MINING.							
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	1,000,000	£1	£1	£175,000 £12,383	£1.42	Final of 1/6 making 3/4 for 1909	Tls. 19.30 sales
Raub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	50,000	1	£1	£4 3/8	Dr. £2,191	No. 12 of 1/4 = 48 cents	\$7½ sellers
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.							
Fenwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$25	\$18,000	Dr. \$7,481	\$1.75 for year ending 31.12.06	\$12
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$550	\$50	\$550,000 \$20,806 \$20,000	\$30,108	None	\$62½ sellers
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$5	\$50	\$58,442 \$221,000	\$245,162	Interim of \$1½ for account 1909	\$52 sa. and b.
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 697,257 Tls. 50,000	Tls. 6,261	Final of Tls. 2½ for year ending 30.4.09	Tls. 76 sellers
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Company, Limited	36,000	Tls. 10	Tls. 100	Tls. 125,000	Tls. 22,818	Final of Tls. 6 making Tls. 10 for 1908	Tls. 125 buyers
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.							
Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd.	25,000	Tls. 10	Tls. 100	Tls. 25,000	Tls. 4,134	Tls. 6 for year ending 20.2.09	Tls. 105 buyers
Central Stores, Limited	50,123	\$15	\$15	\$1,000,000 \$24,641	\$24,641	\$1.20 on old and 60 cents on first new issue	\$17 sellers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$5	\$50	\$68,000 \$14,000	\$19,272	Interim of \$2.40 on old and 40 cents on new shares for account 1909	\$75 sales
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$1	\$1	\$50,000 \$22,172 \$48,851	\$26,475	Interim of 3/4 for account 1909	\$43½ new b.
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited	150,000	\$1	\$10	\$22,172 \$48,851	\$5,486	60 cents for 1908	\$9 sales
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	\$50	\$30	none	\$27	\$1 for 1908	\$30 sellers
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 1,523,045 Tls. 300,000	Tls. 14,404	Interim of Tls. 3 for account 1909	Tls. 120 sellers
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	none	\$1,068	Interim of \$2 for account 1909	\$44 buyers
COTTON MILLS.							
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 5	Tls. 150,000	Tls. 8,820	Tls. 5 for year ending 31.10.08	Tls. 130 sales
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	125,000	\$10	\$1	Tls. 45,819 \$10,000	\$9,553	50 cents for year ending 31.7.08	\$6 buyers
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 175,000	Tls. 8,372	Tls. 6 for year ending 30.9.06 (8%)	Tls. 86
Laos-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 10	none	Tls. 4,829	Tls. 4 for 1908	Tls. 107
Sey Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 21,171	Tls. 25,911	Tls. 5 for 1906	Tls. 435
MISCELLANEOUS.							
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	\$1,500	£04	15% per share for 1908	\$10
China-Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	\$40,000	NIL	\$1.20 for 1908	\$12½ sales
China Light and Power Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10			50 cents for year ended 28.2.06	\$6 buyers
Do. special shares	10,000	\$1	\$1			80 cents for 1908	\$8½ sales
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.	125,000	\$10	\$1	none	\$61,137	\$1.0 for year ending 31.7.09	\$16½ sellers
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	\$7½	\$6	\$1,000,000 \$1,000	\$1,89	Interim of 35 cents for account 1909	\$7½ sales
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	400,000	\$10	\$10	\$15,000	\$3,756	8 cents for year ending 31.12.08	\$12
H. Price & Company, Limited	12,000	\$10	\$10	\$5,000		\$1 a d bonus 20 cts. for year ending 29.2.09	\$20½ sellers
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	60,000	\$10	\$1	none	\$5,193	Interim of \$2 for account 1909	\$18½ sales
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	60,000	\$10	\$5	none	\$7,616	Interim of \$1 for account 1909	\$12½ sales
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	25,000	Gs. 100	Gs. 100	Tls. 547,500 Tls. 6,924	Tls. 316,682	Third of quarterly of Tls. 12½ for account 1909	Tls. 695 buyers
Maatschappij tot Mijde, Bosch en Landbouwerij exploitatie in Lingat, Limited	25,000	\$10	\$10	Tls. 6,924		80 cents on fully paid shares and 8 cents on 1st paid shares for year ending 30.4.09	\$13½
Peak Tramways Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$1,204	None	\$9½ buyers
Philippine Company, Limited	75,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$18,640	Final Tls. 5 making Tls. 8 for 1908	Tls. 108 buyers
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	Tls. 14,810 Tls. 000	\$250	None	\$23½ buyers
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	none	Dr. \$16,602	40 cents for year ending 31.5.09	\$14
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	\$25	\$10	none	\$63	60 cents for year ending 31.12.08	\$10½ sales
Union Waterboat Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$172	60 cents per ord. share for year ending 31.5.09	\$12½ buyers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	none	\$342	Final of 30 cents for 1908	\$7½ sellers
Watson (A.S.) & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	\$1	\$300,000	\$2,613	Final of 30 cts. making 80 cts. for the year ended 30th June, 1906	\$3 sellers
William Powell, Limited	15,000	\$7	\$7	none	\$782	Interim of 12½ % for account 1909	14½ sales
RUBBERS.							
Anglo-Malay Rubber Company, Limited (fully paid)	500,000	2½	2½	none	none	20 % interim for 1909	\$67 buyers
Balgonie Rubber Estate, Limited	20,000	\$1	\$10	none	\$11,805	26 for 1909	77½ sellers
Chatsfield Rubber Estate, Limited	20,000	\$1	\$10	none	\$2,310	None	55½ sellers
Damansara (Selangor) Rubber Co.	10,000	\$1	\$1	none	none	None	62½
Golconda Malay Rubber Co.	8,000	\$1	\$1	none	none	7½ % interim for 1909	nominal
Highland & Lowland Para. Rubber Co. (fully paid)	181,454	\$1	\$1	none	none		4½ buyers
Do. do. (contributory)	123,541	\$1	\$1	none	none		nominal
Kamuning (Perak) Rubber Tin & Co.	950,000	2½	2½	none	£8,784		87½ sa. ex div.
Do. do. A shares	105,000	\$1	\$1	none	none		25½ buyers
Do. do. B shares	105,000	\$1	\$1	none	none		nominal
Kuala Lumpur Rubber Co., Limited	250,000	\$1	\$1	none	none		57 sellers
Linggi Plantations, Limited (ordinary)	900,000	\$1	\$1	none	none		nominal
Do. do. (7½ % pref.)	10,000	\$1	\$1	none	1,810		45½ sellers
Ragalla Rubber Company, Limited (ordinary)	22,500	\$10	\$10	none	none		27½
Do. do. (8½ % pref.)	2,500	\$10	\$10	none	none		95½ buyers
Ledbury Rubber Estates, Limited	6,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$5,722		19½ sellers
Saga Rubber Company, Limited (contributory)	40,000	\$1	\$1	none	none		316 sales
Sandycroft Rubber Company	1,000	\$1	\$1	none	none		\$315 sellers
Sekong Rubber Company, Limited	80,000	\$100	\$100	\$20,000	\$1,753		76½
Shelford Rubber Estate, Limited	65,000	\$1	\$1	none	none		
Singapore & Johore Rubber Company, Limited	2,500	\$1	\$1	none	1,836		
Sungei Chai Rubber Estate Company, Limited	45,000	\$100	\$100	none	none		
Sungei Kapor Rubber Company	110,000	\$1	\$1	none	£3,448		

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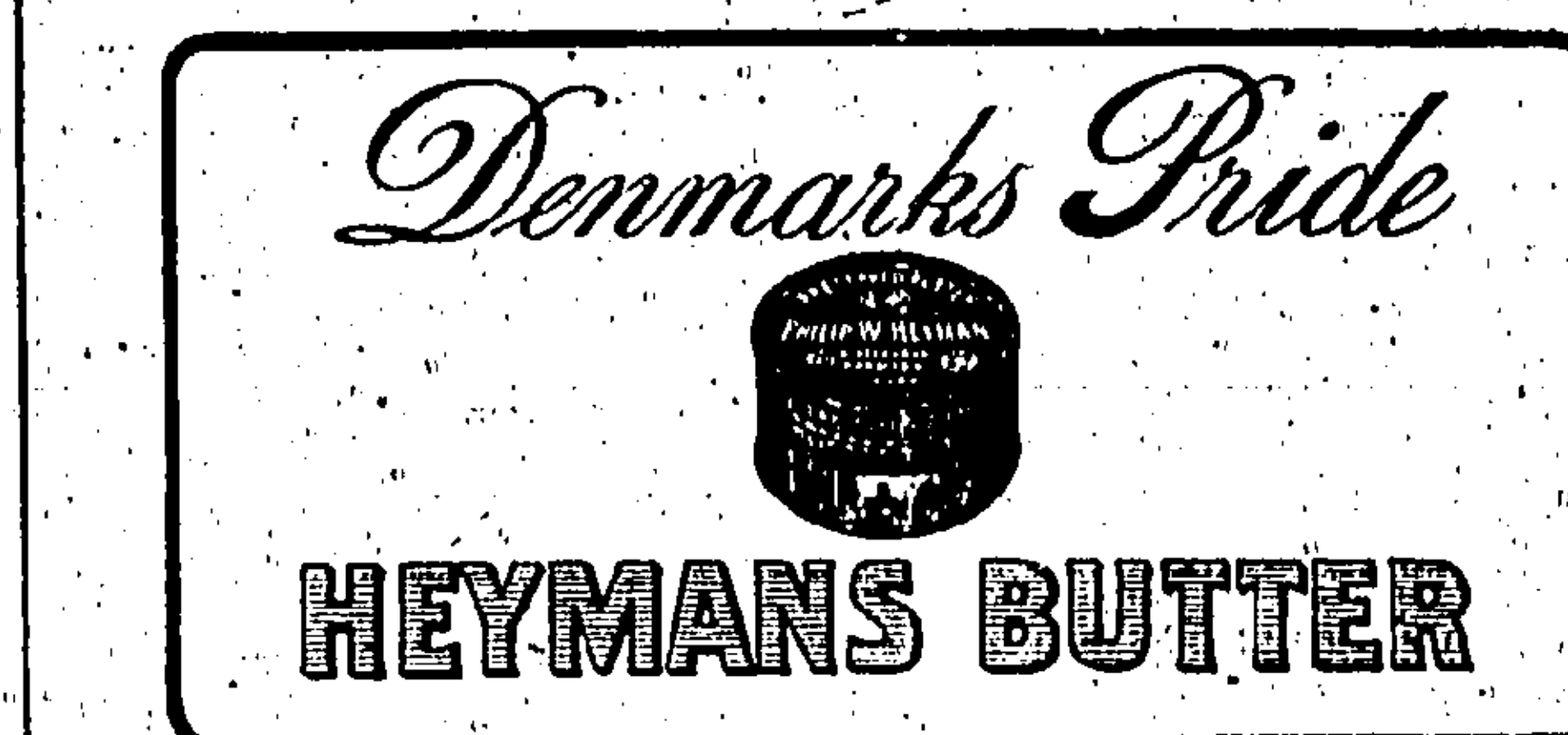
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